Unauthorised colonies on the border of Delhi

3204. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that during a survey of the borders of urban Delhi conducted recently by the Lt. Governor of Delhi large tracts of rural land were found to be illegally carved out into unauthorised colonies;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating the area of the land illegally carved out into unauthorised colonies and whether the colonisers involved have been identified; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Production of Pig Iron in the country

3205. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) what has been the production of Pig Iron in the country during the last three years, what has been the demand of the Indian Foundry Industry during the same period ;

(b) what is the percentage of Pig Iron in the total product range ; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to import Pig Iron to meet the difference in growing demand and production of Pig Iron by Steel Authority of India Limited?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) Total domestic production and estimated demand for pig iron during the last 3 years is indicated below :—

(Qty. 000' tonnes)

	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89
Total domestic production	1358	1272	1112
Total estimated demand	1540	1600	1675

The above assessed demand relates to all industrial consumers, including the foundry industry.

(b) In the current financial year, Steel Authority of India Limited plans to produce pig iron equivalent to about 12% of hot metal production. From the hot metal, both pig iron and crude steel are manufactured.

(c) The Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India Limited is the canalising agency for the import of pig iron. During 1989-90, there is a proposal to import about 3 lakh tonnes of Pig Iron to meet primarily the requirements of foundry units, spun pipe and railway sleeper manufacturers. In addition, another 2 lakh tonnes of basic grade Pig Iron are likely to be imported from USSR for use by electric are furnace units.